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## EMI GRAM

FEMA/USFA
National Emergency Training Center
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

Course: E155, Building Design for Homeland Security

Dates: August 21-23, 2007

<u>Course Information</u>: This 3-day course will be held at the National Emergency Training Center (NETC), Emmitsburg, Maryland. The course will cover the content of FEMA 426, Reference Manual to Mitigate Potential Terrorist Attacks Against Buildings, and FEMA 452, FEMA: A How-To Guide to Mitigate Potential Terrorist Attacks. Both documents combine best practices among Federal agency publications for engineers and architects and other design professionals.

This course is designed to enhance student knowledge of measures and technology available to reduce risks from terrorist attacks. The course focus is on explosive blast; chemical, biological, and radiological attacks; and the best mitigation measures for site and building design/layout. There is guidance on electronic security systems. Students will understand the design approaches to mitigate man-made hazards and comprehend the trade-offs needed to optimize various design requirements.

<u>Participant Selection Criteria</u>: This course is intended for engineers, architects, and building science officials involved in mitigation planning and design to protect people and property against man-made hazards. Secondary audiences include land-use planners, hazard mitigation specialists, consultants, academic staff, and other professionals involved in State/local planning and design efforts.

Continuing Education Units (CEU's): The Emergency Management Institute (EMI) awards 2.1 CEU's for successful completion of this course.

<u>To Apply</u>: A FEMA Form 75-5 (General Admission Application) should be submitted to the State emergency management training office. FEMA regional employees should submit the application to their Regional Training Manager. The admission form can be downloaded off the Internet at <a href="http://www.training.fema.gov/emiweb/EMICourses/">http://www.training.fema.gov/emiweb/EMICourses/</a>.

## NETC ADMISSIONS OFFICE MUST RECEIVE ALL FEMA FORM 75-5s BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS JULY 3, 2007.

For further information on the enrollment process, please contact the NETC Admissions Office, (301) 447-1035, or fax your request to (301) 447-1658. For additional information on the course, please contact the course manager, Dawn Warehime at <a href="mailto:Dawn.Warehime@dhs.gov">Dawn.Warehime@dhs.gov</a>.



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Course/Series: Independent Study Beta Version; Beta IS130,

Exercise Evaluation and Improvement Planning

Subject: Beta Test Extension to June 1, 2007

As announced in the March 2007 HSEEP newsletter, the G-130 course has been revised and will soon be available as an IS course. The revised title is IS-130: Exercise Evaluation and Improvement Planning. This course will address the capabilities-based exercise evaluation methodology as described in HSEEP Volume III. The course will focus on the evaluation of an exercise and include evaluation best practices as described within the existing G-130.

Stakeholders are invited to beta-test the web-based course at <a href="http://hcs.icfi.com/FEMA/EXEV/">http://hcs.icfi.com/FEMA/EXEV/</a>. A survey is available through this site for feedback on the course. The deadline for collecting beta-test feedback has been extended to June 1, 2007. Additionally, if you have any comments or questions, please email Tracy Esparza at tesparza@icfi.com.

Once the Beta test is completed, feedback assessed, appropriate modifications will made to the Beta version. The final course will also include support for a classroom version of the course. This course offering will be an important part of the overall National Standard Exercise Curriculum (NSEC) and a requirement for individuals who apply to the Master Exercise Practitioner Program (MEPP).

If you need more information on NSEC or the MEPP, contact Lowell Ezersky, MEPP Manager, email lowell.ezersky@dhs.gov, phone 1-800-238-3358, extension 1355 or (301) 447-1355.